



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5790

February Session, 2002

**AN ACT CONCERNING PAYMENTS FROM THE MASHANTUCKET
PEQUOT AND MOHEGAN FUND.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 3-55j of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2002*):

3 (a) Twenty million dollars of the moneys available in the
4 Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund established by section 3-55i
5 shall be paid to municipalities eligible for a state grant in lieu of taxes
6 pursuant to section 12-19a in addition to the grants payable to such
7 municipalities pursuant to section 12-19a, subject to the provisions of
8 subsection (b) of this section. Such grant shall be calculated under the
9 provisions of section 12-19a and shall equal one-third of the additional
10 amount which such municipalities would be eligible to receive if the
11 total amount available for distribution were eighty-five million two
12 hundred five thousand eighty-five dollars and the percentage of
13 reimbursement set forth in section 12-19a were increased to reflect
14 such amount. Any eligible special services district shall receive a
15 portion of the grant payable under this subsection to the town in
16 which such district is located. The portion payable to any such district
17 under this subsection shall be the amount of the grant to the town
18 under this subsection which results from application of the district mill
19 rate to exempt property in the district. As used in this subsection and
20 subsection (c) of this section, "eligible special services district" means

21 any special services district created by a town charter, having its own
22 governing body and for the assessment year commencing October 1,
23 1996, containing fifty per cent or more of the value of total taxable
24 property within the town in which such district is located.

25 (b) No municipality shall receive a grant pursuant to subsection (a)
26 of this section which, when added to the amount of the grant payable
27 to such municipality pursuant to section 12-19a, would exceed one
28 hundred per cent of the property taxes which would have been paid
29 with respect to all state-owned real property, except for the exemption
30 applicable to such property, on the assessment list in such
31 municipality for the assessment date two years prior to the
32 commencement of the state fiscal year in which such grants are
33 payable, except that, notwithstanding the provisions of said subsection
34 (a), no municipality shall receive a grant pursuant to said subsection
35 which is less than one thousand six hundred sixty-seven dollars.

36 (c) Twenty million one hundred twenty-three thousand nine
37 hundred sixteen dollars of the moneys available in the Mashantucket
38 Pequot and Mohegan Fund established by section 3-55i shall be paid to
39 municipalities eligible for a state grant in lieu of taxes pursuant to
40 section 12-20a, as amended, in addition to and in the same proportion
41 as the grants payable to such municipalities pursuant to section 12-20a,
42 as amended, subject to the provisions of subsection (d) of this section.
43 Any eligible special services district shall receive a portion of the grant
44 payable under this subsection to the town in which such district is
45 located. The portion payable to any such district under this subsection
46 shall be the amount of the grant to the town under this subsection
47 which results from application of the district mill rate to exempt
48 property in the district.

49 (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (c) of this section,
50 no municipality shall receive a grant pursuant to said subsection
51 which, when added to the amount of the grant payable to such
52 municipality pursuant to section 12-20a, as amended, would exceed
53 one hundred per cent of the property taxes which, except for any

54 exemption applicable to any private nonprofit institution of higher
55 education, nonprofit general hospital facility or free standing chronic
56 disease hospital under the provisions of section 12-81, as amended,
57 would have been paid with respect to such exempt real property on
58 the assessment list in such municipality for the assessment date two
59 years prior to the commencement of the state fiscal year in which such
60 grants are payable.

61 (e) Thirty-five million dollars of the moneys available in the
62 Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund established by section 3-55i
63 shall be paid to municipalities in accordance with the provisions of
64 section 7-528, except that for the purposes of section 7-528, "adjusted
65 equalized net grand list per capita" means the equalized net grand list
66 divided by the total population of a town, as defined in subdivision (7)
67 of subsection (a) of section 10-261, as amended, multiplied by the ratio
68 of the per capita income of the town to the per capita income of the
69 town at the one hundredth percentile among all towns in the state
70 ranked from lowest to highest in per capita income, and "equalized net
71 grand list" means the net grand list of such town upon which taxes
72 were levied for the general expenses of such town two years prior to
73 the fiscal year in which a grant is to be paid, equalized in accordance
74 with section 10-261a.

75 (f) Five million four hundred seventy-five thousand dollars of the
76 moneys available in the Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund
77 established by section 3-55i shall be paid to the following
78 municipalities in accordance with the provisions of section 7-528,
79 except that for the purposes of said section 7-528, "adjusted equalized
80 net grand list per capita" means the equalized net grand list divided by
81 the total population of a town, as defined in subdivision (7) of
82 subsection (a) of section 10-261, as amended, multiplied by the ratio of
83 the per capita income of the town to the per capita income of the town
84 at the one hundredth percentile among all towns in the state ranked
85 from lowest to highest in per capita income, and "equalized net grand
86 list" means the net grand list of such town upon which taxes were
87 levied for the general expenses of such town two years prior to the

88 fiscal year in which a grant is to be paid, equalized in accordance with
 89 section 10-261a: Bridgeport, Hamden, Hartford, Meriden, New Britain,
 90 New Haven, New London, Norwalk, Norwich, Waterbury and
 91 Windham.

92 (g) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) to (f),
 93 inclusive, of this section, the total grants paid to the following
 94 municipalities from the moneys available in the Mashantucket Pequot
 95 and Mohegan Fund established by section 3-55i shall be as follows:

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| T1 | Bloomfield | \$ 267,489 |
| T2 | Bridgeport | 10,506,506 |
| T3 | Bristol | 1,004,050 |
| T4 | Chaplin | 141,725 |
| T5 | Danbury | 1,612,564 |
| T6 | Derby | 432,162 |
| T7 | East Hartford | 522,421 |
| T8 | East Lyme | 488,160 |
| T9 | Groton | 2,037,088 |
| T10 | Hamden | 1,592,270 |
| T11 | Manchester | 1,014,244 |
| T12 | Meriden | 1,537,900 |
| T13 | Middletown | 2,124,960 |
| T14 | Milford | 676,535 |
| T15 | New Britain | 3,897,434 |
| T16 | New London | 2,649,363 |
| T17 | North Haven | 268,582 |
| T18 | Norwalk | 1,451,367 |
| T19 | Norwich | 1,662,147 |
| T20 | Preston | 461,939 |
| T21 | Rocky Hill | 477,950 |
| T22 | Stamford | 1,570,767 |
| T23 | Union | 38,101 |
| T24 | Voluntown | 156,902 |
| T25 | Waterbury | 5,179,655 |
| T26 | Wethersfield | 371,629 |
| T27 | Windham | 1,307,974 |
| T28 | Windsor Locks | 754,833 |

96 (h) (1) The municipalities of Ledyard, North Stonington and Preston
97 shall each receive a grant of one hundred seventy-five thousand
98 dollars, [and] except that for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, said
99 municipalities shall each receive a grant of three hundred fifty
100 thousand dollars, (2) the municipality of Montville shall receive a grant
101 of one hundred fifty thousand dollars, [which] except that for the fiscal
102 year ending June 30, 2003, said municipality shall receive a grant of
103 three hundred twenty-five thousand dollars, and (3) for the fiscal year
104 ending June 30, 2003, the municipality of Norwich shall receive a grant
105 of one hundred seventy-five thousand dollars. Grants pursuant to this
106 subsection shall be paid from the Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan
107 Fund established by section 3-55i and [which] shall be in addition to
108 the grants paid to said municipalities pursuant to subsections (a) to (g),
109 inclusive, of this section.

110 (i) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, and each fiscal year
111 thereafter, if the amount of grant payable to a municipality in
112 accordance with this section is increased as the result of an
113 appropriation to the Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund for
114 such fiscal year which exceeds eighty-five million dollars, the portion
115 of the grant payable to each eligible service district, in accordance with
116 subsections (a) and (c) of this section shall be increased by the same
117 proportion as the grant payable to such municipality under this section
118 as a result of said increased appropriation.

119 (j) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, and each fiscal year
120 thereafter, the municipality of Ledyard shall receive a grant of two
121 hundred fifty thousand dollars, which shall be paid from the
122 Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund established by section 3-55i.
123 Said grant shall be in addition to the grants paid to said municipality
124 pursuant to subsections (a) to (h), inclusive, of this section.

125 (k) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, and each fiscal year
126 thereafter, the sum of forty-nine million seven hundred fifty thousand
127 dollars shall be paid to municipalities, in accordance with this
128 subsection, from the Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund

129 established by section 3-55i. The grants payable under this subsection
130 shall be used to proportionately increase the amount of the grants
131 payable to each municipality in accordance with subsections (a) to (j),
132 inclusive, of this section and shall be in addition to the grants payable
133 under said subsections.

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| This act shall take effect as follows: | |
| Section 1 | July 1, 2002 |

APP *Joint Favorable Subst.*